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Dale Hollow Lake Elevations Will be Impacted by Work at Wolf Creek Dam

NASHVILLE, TENN. (May 4, 2007) – The decision to maintain Lake Cumberland at a lower 680-foot elevation for the seepage rehabilitation project at Wolf Creek Dam will cause some changes in the water elevation at Dale Hollow Lake this summer. Dale Hollow may maintain a higher than usual water elevation early in 2007 and then, later in the year, may be drawn down to a level that is lower than customarily seen.

Lake Cumberland, as a storage facility, typically supplies water to the Cumberland River for a variety of authorized purposes and that storage capability will be lost during the rehabilitation project at Wolf Creek Dam. Dale Hollow will assume some of the water supply mission for Lake Cumberland in 2007.

While there may be some inconveniences for visitors to Dale Hollow, such as high or low water on beaches, access ramps to courtesy floats underwater, and campsites and parking lots covered with water, this should not have an adverse effect on the visitor's experience.

Alternative launch and parking locations are available and campers with reservations affected by high water will have an alternative camping site.

The staff at Dale Hollow does request that visitors use caution near the shoreline or developed areas and that they be aware that there may be structures underwater that could damage vessels. Visitors should also be mindful of wakes, tie-ups and prop washout when near the bank. Your courtesy will help us not add to the problem of shoreline erosion. Of course, the lake elevation will be contingent on the amount of rainfall received.